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APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PERU

Development and Extension of Health Services in the South Eastern Region (PER/76/009)

Report of the Administrator *

Date of present approval:	February 1979
Starting date of project activities:	July 1978 (including Preparatory Assistance)
Planned completion date:	December 1980
To be executed by:	Panamerican Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO)
Government implementing agency:	Ministry of Health - Directorate of Health, South Eastern Region
Estimated cost of assistance planned under present approval:	$ 377 800
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. The Regional Health Office of the South Eastern Region (175,282 square kilometers) which comprises the departments of Cuzco, Aprimac and Madre de Dios, and covers the areas of Sierra and Selva, has a population of 1,140,000 inhabitants, of which 65 per cent live in essentially rural zones. Half of the population has no access to health facilities and the other half has only minimal health services. General mortality rates are accordingly high (15.8 persons per 1,000).

2. On the basis of the experience gained by a similar project, Development of Health Services in Eastern Peru (Loreto) (PER/74/007) 1/, the Government requested UNDP assistance in the South Eastern Region. Preparatory Assistance was provided

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as from July 1978, pending finalization of the project document to allow for an early initiation of field activities and to co-ordinate activities with the social and economic sectors and other bilateral and multilateral agencies involved in the region. Assistance for full-scale project operations has now been approved.

II. Objectives and activities

3. The immediate objectives of the project are to develop and extend the health services of the South Eastern Region with the participation of the local communities concerned through five basic service programmes in the following fields: mother and child care, nutrition, health services for adults, control of contagious diseases and environmental sanitation.

4. In addition the project will provide assistance in the fields of health administration, equipment use and training, as well as in five support services in the fields of epidemiological control, laboratory, health statistics, health education and medicine supplies.

III. Inputs

5. UNDP will provide, through the Executing Agency, the services of nine short-term consultants. It will also provide for the services for four months of national consultants, as well as fellowships, group training and equipment. The services of a long-term expert under project development and extension of health services in the Eastern Region (PER/78/004) will also be made available to this project.

6. To carry out the activities for which assistance is now approved, the Government of Peru will make available qualified professionals and supporting staff, office space, supplies and equipment, directly to the project.

IV. Financial Data

7. The expenditure components of the planned assistance are as follows:

	Previously approved	Present approval	Total approved
	$	$	$
Project personnel	4 000	11 000	15 000
Training	26 400	51 900	78 300
Equipment	112 300	312 900	425 200
Miscellaneous	1 000	2 000	3 000
	143 700	377 800	521 500

8. The estimated total value, expressed in US dollars, of inputs provided directly by the Government to the project is $5,662,400, in kind.

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